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TAGS: OEXC SW (ASTRAND, GORAN)

SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY VISITOR- GORAND ASTRAND

REF:STOCKHOLM 441;STATE 20443

1. ASTRAND BORN IN STOCKHOLM JAN. 10, 1931. DOES NOT HAVE UNIVERSITY DEGREE. BEGAN WORKING FOR MODERATA (CONSERVATIVE) PARTY 1954. IN 1966, BECAME SECRETARY FOR MODERATA PARLIMENTARY GROUP, AND IS THEIR EXPERT IN HOUSING/URBAN PLANNING POLICIES. IS NO TECHNICIAN, BUT RESPONSIBLE FOR POLICY ASPECTS. AUTHOR, "LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN THE SEVENTIES," A DESCRIPTION OF AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LOCAL PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT. HAS VISITED ENGLAND AND SOVIET UNION TO STUDY/OBSERVE URBAN PLANNING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. WILL WRITE ARTICLES AND GIVE TALKSON U.S. EXPERIENCE AFTER RETURN. INTERESTED IN U.S. REVOLUTIONARY/CIVIL WAR SITES, ALSO.

2. ACCOMMODATIONS: NEW YORK, HOTEL ROOSEVELT, FEB. 22-25 AND MARCH 6-8; WASHINGTON, WATERGATE HOTEL, FEB. 25-28; DETROIT, C/O REV. JOHN SUNDQVIST, 889 PEMBERTON, GROSSE POINT PAK, MICHIGAN 48230, FEB. 28-MARCH 4; BOSTON, STATLER HILTON MARCH 4-6.

3. TRAVEL DATA: FEB. 25 ARRIVES WASHINGTON, D.C. VIA TRAIN FROM NYC O/A 14:30; BEST PROGRAMMING UNCLASSIFIED

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DAY FEB. 26 PLUS LATE AFTERNOON FEB. 25. ASTRAND

VISITING RICHMOND FEB. 27; DEPARTS WASHINGTON,
D.C. FOR DETROIT FEB. 28 O/A 10:00 A.M.
ARRIVES BOSTON MARCH 4 FROM DETROIT O/A 13:00
HOURS: ALL DAY MARCH 5, MORNING MARCH 6 FREE FOR
APPOINTMENTS; DEPARTS MARCH 6 AT 16:00 HOURS BY
TRAIN FOR NYC. LEAVES U.S. MARCH 8 FOR SWEDEN.

4. SHOULD TALK TO HUD OFFICIALS KNOWLEDGABLE
ON HOUSING PROBLEMS; HUD'S ROLE IN ADVISING CONGRESS
AND DRAWING UP POLICIES, DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY
BETWEEN FEDERAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. IN
CONGRESS, WANTS APPOINTMENT WITH SENATE OR HOUSE
COMMITTEE STAFF ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE WHO RESPONSIBLE
FOR WRITING POSITION PAPERS ON HOUSING/PHYSICAL
PLANNING MATTERS. IN BOSTON, WISHES SEE CITY
MANAGER/CITY COUNCIL OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS LOCAL
ELECTIONS, ACCOUNTABILITY OF OFFICIALS TO ELECTORATE,
ONGOING CONTACT WITH CITIZENRY. ASTRAND WISHES
SEE GOVERNMENTAL CONCEPT OF TOWN MEETING IN ACTION
IF POSSIBLE IN SMALL TOWN NEAR BOSTON, IF SCHEDULING
COINCIDES WITH HIS STAY.
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